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The invention provides an~~An~~ aided design apparatus including a data output means~~element~~ for outputting data of an attribute name associated with an attribute group of a part used for transporting a sheet along with three-dimensional shape data of the part. The invention further provides a related aided design method and a recording medium for recording a program for carrying out the method, wherein the data of parts used in a simulation for paper transportation can be easily exchanged.